



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Yasuhiro SHIRAISHI, et al.

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 28, 2004, please consider the remarks as submitted herewith on the accompanying pages.

REMARKS

Claims 1-13 are all the claims pending in the application. Applicant thanks the Examiner for allowing claims 1-7. Claims 8-13 presently stand rejected. Specifically, claims 8-13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Suganuma (USP 5,767,609) in view of Suzuki et al. (USP 4,833,358). For the reasons set forth below, Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection of claims 8-13 and requests favorable disposition of the application.

Information Disclosure Statement

The Examiner is respectfully requested to return the initialed PTO/SB/08 for the Information Disclosure Statement filed on October 28, 2003.